RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED DELETION OF EXISTING ACCESS COMPLIANCE POLICY BY THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT – ACCESS COMPLIANCE

Division of the State Architect – Access Compliance (DSA/AC) under authority assigned in California Government Code Section 4451(f) to carry out the legislative mandate of California Government Code Section 4452 has established a set of access compliance policies addressing aspects of DSA's plan and construction review program. Polices may require revision or deletion as corrections are made to existing regulations and/or new regulations are adopted into the code.

Access compliance policies can be found on the DSA website in the 2003 California Access Compliance Reference Manual at http://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/dsa/pubs/policies.pdf.

DSA/AC is proposing to delete the following access compliance policies:

94-13 Accessibility Requirements for Seismic Safety Enhancement and Repair at School Sites with Damage

Rationale: The provisions of this policy regarding accessibility requirements associated with seismic upgrade and repair projects have been incorporated into revised policy # 96-01 - Seismic Upgrade Projects.

94-16 Portable Classrooms: Existing Handrails on Existing Relocated Portables

Rationale: The provisions of this policy conflict with current California Building Code regulations. Handrails at portable classrooms shall comply with CBC Section 1133B.5.5.

95-06 Home Business Accessibility

Rationale: Portions of a private home used in the operation of a place of public accommodation are covered by the ADA. Home-based businesses which provide a place of public accommodation typically fall under the jurisdiction of local building departments. DSA/AC proposes to delete this policy, but add information and discussion regarding this subject to DSA's "Frequently Asked Questions on Accessibility" web page.

95-07 Seismic Upgrade in Hospitals

Rationale: The provisions of this policy regarding accessibility requirements associated with seismic upgrade and repair projects have been incorporated into revised policy # 96-01 - Seismic Upgrade Projects.

95-08 Counters – Food Preparation Facilities

Rationale: The provisions of this policy have been incorporated into the California Building Code. CBC Sections 1104B.5 and 1122B.4 identify requirements for food selection, food delivery and/or payment transaction service counters.

96-06 Fire Repair Construction

Rationale: The provisions of this policy regarding accessibility requirements associated with fire damage repair projects have been incorporated into revised policy # 94-22 - Reconstruction after Fire Damage.

97-02 Permit Extensions

Rationale: This is an obsolete policy related to plan review operations.

97-05 Detectable Warning Domes at Curb Cuts Required by Federal Law to Be Flushed at the Lip

Rationale: This policy will be superseded by IR 04-01 Beveled Lip at Curb Ramps and IR 04-02 Detectable Warnings. IR 04-01 and IR 04-02 were recommended for approval by the Universal Design Committee in June. The Committee's recommendation will be considered at the next Advisory Board meeting.

98-01 Special Access (Wheelchair) Lifts

Rationale: The provisions of this policy have been incorporated into the California Building Code. CBC Sections 1133B.2 and 1133B.5 identify requirements for doors, gates, and ramps that will facilitate unassisted entry, operation and exit of a special access (wheelchair) lift.

99-09.1 Waivers

Rationale: This is an obsolete policy related to plan review operations.